



## Mid-Summer Mark Down Sale

There are three months remaining of Hot Weather Demand for Light Weight Clothing. We have disposed of The Bulk of Our Summer Goods. But there is some left. It must be disposed of.

### This is Our Plan:

ALL Our SUMMER SUITS for MEN and BOYS will be sold at

## One-Third Off

the Regular Price. No money in it for us, but there is

### Big Saving For You.

We may not have your size, but if we have, you are a

### Lucky Man

provided you avail yourself of this

## Big Opportunity

This cut extends to all Summer Goods except

### Straw Hats.

They go at

## One-Half Off

regular prices.

### Grab these Bargains Quick

and save money.

**M. S. BROWN,**

Clothier

AND

Gents' Furnisher,  
Palatka, Fla.



## The Palatka News and Advertiser

### City Happenings and Personal Mention.

Judge J. I. Wimberly of Interlachen was here yesterday.

H. P. Holstein made a brief visit to Hawthorne on Tuesday.

Lawrence Tucker has returned from an outing at Pablo beach.

Valery Thomas was a visitor to Green Cove Springs last Sunday.

Dr. W. W. C. Wall has gone to Tryon, N. C. for a brief vacation.

Miss Maud Rogers expects to leave Monday for a visit to friends in St. Augustine.

County Clerk Joseph Price spent Saturday, Sunday and Monday at Daytona Beach.

Fred Vassie, a former Palatka boy now residing in High Springs, was in the city Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Carson are rejoicing over the birth of a fine boy on the 19th of last month.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Neck and daughter will leave Saturday for a pleasure trip to Daytona Beach.

Miss Rena, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Brown, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. M. Frank, at Sanford.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Fearnside and Miss Gene Fearnside returned on Wednesday from Daytona Beach.

W. S. and R. C. Middleton, the well-known naval stores operators of Pomona, were in the city Wednesday.

Rev. Dr. W. D. Gentry, president of the college at Lake Kerr, was a prominent visitor in the city this week.

Mrs. R. C. Howell and Misses Martha Gray and Fanny Devereaux returned from Daytona Beach last Monday.

Mrs. Cheever of Fernandina has been in the city for several days past on a visit to the family of W. L. Cheever.

Chas. L. Chamberlin, the well-known merchant of Crescent City, was a business visitor in the city Wednesday.

The W. C. T. U. and Auxiliary will meet Thursday, Aug. 10th, at 4 p. m., at Mrs. Tucker's new home on River street.

Miss Agnes Usina returned to her home in St. Augustine last Monday after a pleasant visit here with Miss Maud Rogers.

Mrs. W. O. Holmes and Miss Martha Gray spent several days of this week in Gainesville, the guests of Mrs. H. A. Ford.

Mrs. Jas. Greenwood of Cocoaanut Grove, who is visiting her old home at Sisco, spent a few days in the city last week with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Tilghman returned Wednesday from a month's visit to their old home on the eastern shore of Maryland.

Mrs. W. L. Brenner, nee Miss Fannie Thomas, of Jacksonville, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Haughton a couple of days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Shelby, accompanied by Misses Nellie Usina and Maud Ery, expect to leave Monday for New York, Canada and other points.

Guy Broward has appointed John E. Marshall of this city a notary public for the state at large. It is understood that Mr. Marshall will accept the honor.

James M. Chesser of Hollister spent Wednesday in the city. Mr. Chesser has been ill since early in the spring and this was his first visit here in some time.

Judge Vertrees came over from Summer Haven to spend the early days of the week among his old friends and take note of the progress making in Palatka.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Edmonson of Berlin lost their little infant daughter by death on Thursday of last week. The baby was three months old and its death was due to fever.

Mrs. Ellen Lanning and grandchildren, Newell and Oma Davis, have returned from a month's visit to Daytona Beach, where they were the guests of Mrs. I. A. Boughton.

F. H. Hafer, the well-known real estate dealer, account of whose illness last week, is still very ill and Dr. Steen, the attending physician, says there is little change in his condition.

Ex-County Commissioner Rogers of Putnam Hall was in the city this week. Since having his arm amputated for cancer of the hand, Mr. Rogers has been making steady progress toward health. He is looking well and says he feels fit.

Rev. Father Alexander, rector of St. Leo's College, is spending a few days in the city the guest of Rev. Father Barry. It is likely that Father Alexander will celebrate mass and preach at St. Monica's church next Sunday morning at 9 o'clock.

Herbert Crook, manager of the I. M. Meyer Co., leaves this afternoon for New York for the purpose of making special purchases, after which he will go to the Catskill and Adirondack mountains for a few weeks' rest. Mr. Crook went to his old home in Ocala for a brief time and from there will join a party for the beach. Miss Crook is at Hendersonville, N. C.

The James Crow separation screens on the cars of the Palatka and Heights Street Railway system was just so much good money wasted. The supreme court has knocked the law into a cocked hat on the ground that one of its sections, which provided for allowing colored nurses and valets riding with their charges in the white compartment, was unconstitutional in that it made discriminations among the colored people.

Maj. Geo. P. Fowler of Hastings was in the city yesterday on legal business. It is his first visit here in nine months. He states that his son, Harry, was successful with his potato crop this spring for the reason that he shipped early, but that as a rule the potato growers are blue and many of them broke; that the latter will be unable to plant much as they cannot borrow money to buy fertilizer. The major says the crop of next spring will not be over three-quarters of what it was last year.

## GRAVES CONFESSES

### To Robbery of Express Co's Safe and Returns the Money.

Bound and Gagged Himself—Confession Came After Evidence All Pointed His Way.

Attracted by pistol shots, parties in the neighborhood discovered that the Southern Express company's office in this city had been robbed at an early hour last Saturday morning.

John Beal, night nurse with Mr. F. H. Hafer, pistol in one hand and lamp in the other entered the office through the back door and found Graves, the young clerk of the Express company who sleeps in a small back room, bound by his wrist and legs and across the center of his body to the bed, his mouth gagged with a handkerchief and towel, the latter being tied back of his head. The boy was relieved and as soon as he could get his wind, related a tale of robbery.

Robbers, two in number, had, according to young Graves, effected an entrance by breaking a piece of glass out of the side window, raising the sash and unscrewing one of the panes from the inside. After overpowering him, binding and gagging him as aforementioned, they proceeded to open the safe by the combination lock, which Graves stated, occupied an hour. After rifling the safe the robbers left by the back door, which they unlocked.

On Monday afternoon Graves confessed that he bound and gagged himself, after opening the window, rifling the safe and opening the back door. He secured \$1,850.00 in cash which he hid in an incubator in the back room, where it lay until the evening, when he transferred it to the ice box in the express office at the Union depot. This money was all returned on Monday, even to the last penny. Graves was then taken before Justice C. I. Rowton, waived examination on the charge of grand larceny, and is in jail to await action of the grand jury. Bonds of \$2,500 will get him out.

The scheme was neither clever in design nor execution.

Graves, who is about 26 years of age, had set the alarm clock for 2 o'clock a. m. The window pane where entrance was effected was broken at the bottom, leaving too long a reach for a man to put his arm inside and release the center lock. The sash had been fresh painted Friday and the paint was wet Saturday morning, and there was not a chance for anyone to have passed over it which they would be obliged to do in getting through the window.

But Graves created a sensation in Palatka.

The pistol shots were heard in the apartment of Mrs. Priddy directly over. They were also heard by many in the neighborhood for more than a block away. Many turned out to see what the shots meant, including Mayor Usina.

R. H. Cooper, Arthur and Charles Priddy and John Beal were the first to respond. They heard rappings inside the express office and called to know what was the matter. Their only response was more rapping. Then Mr. Beal went in, finding the boy as above stated. He had his pistol in his hand and back of his head, and he emptied his five chambers and was using it to rap on the head of his iron bed.

The crowd began to gather and Mr. M. C. Groover, local agent of the company, arrived about 5 o'clock. He took charge and soon wired the officials of the robbery.

Mr. J. B. Hockaday, superintendent of the company, arrived from Savannah at noon.

In the meantime Chief of Police Hagan and Sheriff Howell conducted personal investigations, and each, by the afternoon of Saturday, had advised the arrest of young Graves. Private citizens without special knowledge of deductions in criminology other than has come to them through reading an occasional Sherlock Holmes story, came to the same conclusion.

But Mr. Hockaday waited and watched. He watched young Graves. He said nothing. On Sunday P. R. Burns of Chattanooga, special detective of the company, arrived. To him Mr. Hockaday reported all he knew. But some things were yet a mystery. Did the robber have a confederate? How did he secure the safe combination?

These were mysteries until Monday afternoon. Then Mr. Hockaday asked young Graves to accompany him to the Saturday morning robbery. They were accompanied by Detectives Burns and Watts, Sheriff Howell and Chief Hagan. In the privacy of Mr. Hockaday's room, that gentleman said to young Graves: "Now Graves we know something about this robbery, but we don't know what all. We want you to tell us what we don't know."

Then Graves made a full, free and explicit confession. He had had it in his mind to rob ever since his return from his vacation, July 1st. Mr. Groover made a new combination supposed to be known only to the agent and a copy is sealed and sent for filing in the superintendent's office at Savannah. When Mr. Groover made the new combination he made a copy, placed it in an envelope, sealed it and addressed it to Mr. Hockaday. He gave this to young Graves along with other valuable packages to take to the train. That was the regular mode of procedure. Then Mr. Groover went out and it was when he was alone, as Graves stated, that he cut the combination, which he took to the train.

Graves stated that since that date he had been watching his opportunity to carry out his scheme of robbery, which he had carefully planned and which he assured the officials was his alone. He had no confederate. He alone opened the window, and unscrewed the bar. He unlocked the safe before the electric lights went out at midnight, so that when his time came all he had to do was to pull open the door and take the money, as much had come in on a late train which was due to go out on the early train over the G. S. & F. Graves stated that he placed the money in his incubator for hiding, after which he proceeded to bind and gag himself, which latter was so thoroughly done that he actually suffered before being released. "And now, gentlemen," concluded Graves, "if you will come with me I will give you the money. I feel greatly relieved now that I have made this confession." Mr. Hockaday and the others present assured him that they reciprocated the feeling.

The money was found covered

with wet sawdust in the ice box at the company's Union depot office. It was all there, but the bills were wet through and it took a long time to separate and count them.

Sheriff Howell placed Graves under arrest and was surprised to find that he had evidently thought that a full confession and restoration would end the matter, though he now says he had never once given thought to the subject of his arrest.

In speaking of the affair to the staff of the Palatka News, Mr. Hagan and I feel under great obligations to the people of Palatka and especially to your Chief of Police, Sheriff and Mayor for the interest in and assistance they have given us in this matter.

Both Mr. Howell and Mr. Hagan advised the arrest of Graves as early as Saturday noon. But we wanted this confession; we wanted to solve the mystery of the combination and confederates. The confession was voluntary and there were no pledges made of immunity. The young man said that he had been in the sheriff's office when the time comes all who heard the confession will be ready to testify. Young Graves is from Dothan, Ala. He has worked for the company for some time and was trusted. This is his first known wrong.

Graves came to Palatka on February 1st and boarded with Agent Groover. He went home May 14th, and returned here July 1st. Mr. Groover said that he had implicit confidence in him.

He is quite a bright young fellow despite the bungling of his disastrous burglary. He had made an incubator after his own design and had tested it by hatching one brood of chicks. It was his purpose to have this incubator patented. It was in his room in the rear of the express office that he hid the money up to the Saturday evening. Then he became a little alarmed when he saw there was a disposition to search the office for the money, and he removed it to the ice box.

The boy is a good natured, and confident, good natured, if not brazenly. He evidently feels that confession and restoration ought to square the deal. He does not seem to feel compunction for the predicament of his superior up to the time of his confession.

So the boy will lay in jail until the fall term, when a sympathy trial will be held. It is probable that he should commit an act to ruin his whole future, but it was a deliberately planned crime that failed—they all do, sooner or later.

### Lightning Strikes Carleton.

During the terrific thunder storm which passed over Carleton colony, a little distance west of Edgar, this county, on Monday evening, two bolts of lightning in rapid succession struck the house of Mr. C. G. Smith.

The first stroke came near striking Mr. Smith who was sitting at a table, missing him but a few feet. The lightning descended the south-west corner of the house and passed over a clothes line wire to a wild cherry tree, where it entered the ground. The second stroke descended the southeast corner of the house scattering plastering and splinters all over the room, and following another clothes line to a china berry tree where it entered the ground. Mr. Smith was pretty badly shocked for a time, but came out of it all right and now smiles at the special distinction shown his house. This same house was struck by lightning a few years ago. Mr. Smith is being congratulated by his neighbors on his narrow escape.

### A Compromise.

Three or four months ago the board of county commissioners took action to the preparation of plans for a new county court house. Plans were made by H. J. Klutho, the well-known architect of Jacksonville. They were placed on exhibition in the windows of the Ackerman-Stewart Drug company, where they attracted much favorable comment.

A month later the board of county commissioners adopted a resolution to the effect that they would build a new court house to cost \$50,000, and a committee was appointed to report plans of payment at the next meeting.

At the next meeting the sense of the members was that the board would not be able to build a new court house at this time.

Last week carpenters built some new front steps and replaced a rotten plank in the rear porch. It is now thought the old court house will serve for another generation although this doctrine has not been officially promulgated.

That's what we call a compromise.

NOTHING ON THE MARKET EQUAL TO CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA AND DIARRHOEA REMEDY.

This fact is well known to druggists everywhere, and nine out of ten will give their customers this preparation when the best is asked for. Mr. Obe Witmer, a prominent druggist of Joplin, Mo., has a circular to his customers, says: "There is nothing on the market in the way of patent medicine which equals Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for bowel complaints. We sell and recommend this preparation." For sale by Ackerman-Stewart Drug Co.

### Play Box Ball

Richards' Alley, on Griffin Lot

Under new management

Ladies play free Wednesday afternoons, 2 to 5. Ice water. F. G. Ruffly, Mgr.

### Order for Publication.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, PUTNAM COUNTY, FLORIDA.

John H. Gordon and William E. Baker vs. Chas. W. White, et al.

It appearing by affidavits appended to the bill filed in the above stated cause that Charles W. White, one of the defendants therein named, is a non-resident of the State of Florida, and is a resident of the City of New York, No. 11 Broadway, in the State of New York, over the age of twenty-one years, and that there is no person in the State of Florida upon whom the debt is due, it is therefore ordered that said non-resident defendant be and is hereby required to answer to the bill of complaint filed in said cause on or before Monday, the 6th day of September, 1905. Otherwise, the allegations of said bill will be taken as confessed by said defendant.

Witness my hand and official seal this 1st day of August, 1905.

JOSEPH PRICE, Clerk Circuit Court.

J. J. HILBURN, Solicitor for Complainant.

## AN ORDINANCE

To provide for the building of lateral sewers from the main sewers that have been or may be hereafter laid by the City of Palatka along the streets of said city to the lots or pieces of land abutting thereon; to provide for liens in favor of said city against such lots or pieces of land to which same may be built; to provide for the payment thereof and to provide a penalty for default in such payment.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Palatka, a municipal corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, shall contract for and have built and constructed lateral sewers from the main sewers that have been or may hereafter be laid by said city along the streets of the said city to the lots or pieces of land abutting thereon.

SECTION 2. That the owner or owners of any lot or piece of land to which said city may build or construct a lateral sewer or sewers, shall be liable to the City of Palatka for the cost of such construction and said city shall have a lien on such lot or piece of land for the cost of the construction of such lateral sewer or sewers, which shall be superior in dignity to all other liens, and it shall be the duty of such owner to pay to the City of Palatka, as soon as such lateral sewer or sewers shall have been constructed, the entire cost of such construction or such sum as there be a fall-py thereon; and should there be a fall-py on the part of such owner to pay same, for a period of three months, then and in that event, such owner shall pay to said city interest on the amount due at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum from the time same became due until the cost of such construction, interest, cost and attorney's fees shall have been paid. The city may enforce such lien at any time after the debt becomes due, either at law or in chancery, and in the manner provided by law for the enforcement of liens; said city shall be entitled to have a reasonable allowance for attorney's or solicitor's fees to be recovered in such suit; and said city shall have a lien for such cost of construction, interest, attorney's fees and costs of suit on the property aforesaid, which shall remain a subsisting lien until paid.

SECTION 3. The word or term "main sewer" shall be construed to mean such sewer as has been or may hereafter be laid by the said city or its authorities, along any street or running with such street, and shall include all sewers now under construction by said city.

The words or term "lateral sewer" shall be so construed as to mean any sewer that may be connected with the main sewer.

When said city constructs or builds a lateral sewer from the main sewer to the ebbing or boundary line of the street or to the sidewalk, same shall be considered and construed as having been constructed and built to the lot or piece of land abutting thereon and into which such lateral sewer would enter if extended.

SECTION 4. As soon as may be after the lateral sewers aforesaid shall have been completed by said city, a list thereof shall be prepared by the City Clerk and filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Putnam County, Florida, giving a description of the lot or piece of land to and for which each lateral sewer was built, and giving the name of the owner thereof, if known, and setting forth the amount of the cost of construction of each lateral sewer; and no other or further notice of such lien shall be necessary to give all persons interested therein due notice, and when such list shall have been made and filed, as aforesaid, same shall be notice to the world for any and all purposes.

SECTION 5. That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Passed in open Council this August 1, 1905.

A. M. STEEN, President City Council.

J. N. BLACKWELL, City Clerk.

Approved August 1st, 1905.

ANTONIO USINA, Mayor.

## THE KING OF ALL KISER'S KING \$3.50

Shoe for Men

In all popular Leathers and up to date Styles.

AT ONE PRICE \$3.50

For Sale By

LEO JACOBSON,

Popular Dry Goods and Shoe House

Palatka, Fla.

## For Sale.

We will sell August 28th, 1905, on River Street, opposite our office, about 40 lbs. of covered copper and iron wire. This wire was removed by us from some of our poles erected in the streets of Palatka, upon which our electric light wires are attached.

Should proceeds of sale exceed amount of our charges against owners of wire, we will pay the amount to them, should they admit having attached their wires to our poles, and proving ownership of the wire.

## Palatka Gas Light & Fuel Co

Per G. LOPER BAILEY,

7-28-05. President.

## St. Augustine.

At the Ocean View Hotel.

Furnished Rooms may be had with privilege of using bath at rate from \$1.00 to \$3.00 per week per room.

W. S. M. PINKHAM, Prop.

## The Ways of a Watch

are past finding out. Don't try. If your watch is lazy and won't run, let me spar it up—I'll make it on time to a dot. Ten to one you've neglected it—let it get dirty; or rusty for lack of oil; maybe given it to the baby to play with. Whatever the reason, don't delay; delay costs money and spoils the watch. We give thorough examination and regulation free—anything more costs as little as satisfactory work can be done for.

Then, we want you to see our big line of

Silverware and General Jewelry.

We Have a Big Stock of Novelties.

**W. S. FRY,**

The Leading Jeweler.

Palatka, Florida

## House Furnishing

Is Our Business

and we are prepared to do it properly and to your taste in every detail. By the way, How about Hammocks? Let us show you a comfortable one for your porch.

Pretty Odd Pieces of Furniture suitable for Wedding Gifts.

**Capt. M. R. RYAN, Palatka, Fla**

## New Goods.

We are receiving daily. New and Fresh Groceries of all kinds. We have the most complete stock of New Goods in the following lines than we have ever had:

Fire Insurance: Leading American and Foreign Companies

Accident Insurance: The Travelers of Hartford

Life Insurance: The Old Reliable "Germania"

Marine Insurance: Life of New York

The Leading Companies

All Claims Promptly Settled.

Office, 28 Front St., PALATKA, FLA

## New Harness and Horse Goods

When you want new Harness or Harness repairs step into Edmonson's on Central Lemon street and let us show you how neatly and cheaply we can fix you up.

Fine Line of HARNESS, BUGGIES AND FARM WAGONS.

**EDMONSON'S**

Livery and Sales Stable

Palatka, Florida

**Sands Bros.**

Electricians

Dealers in Electric Supplies and Instruments, Batteries, Etc.

PALATKA, FLA.

Notice of application for Tax Deed under section 8 of chapter 4888, Laws of Florida

Notice is hereby given that W. H. Cannon purchaser of tax certificate No. 159, dated the 6th day of July, A. D. 1903, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Putnam county, Florida, to-wit:

1/2 of sec. 28, township 10, range 26-30 acres.

The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of Unknown. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 19th day of August, A. D. 1905.

Witness my official signature and seal this 12th day of July, A. D. 1905.

(Seal) JOSEPH PRICE, Clerk Circuit Ct. Putnam County Fla.

## Notice of Application FOR Tax Deed Under Section 8 of Chapter 4888 Laws of Florida

Notice is hereby given that Wm. Miller, purchaser of tax certificate No. 130, dated the 6th day of July, A. D. 1903, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Putnam county, Florida, to-wit:

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(Seal) JOSEPH PRICE, Clerk Circuit Ct. Putnam County Fla.

## Notice of Application FOR Tax Deed Under Section 8 of Chapter 4888 Laws of Florida

Notice is hereby given that John McCaskill, purchaser of tax certificate No. 276, dated the 6th day of July, A. D. 1903, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Putnam county, Florida, to-wit:

1/2 of sec. 28, township 10, range 26-30 acres.